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House Resolution 1351

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Kidd of the 115th, and Heard of the 114th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on January 1, 2006, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
- 3 distinguished citizens with the passing of JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she was a woman of deep and abiding faith who was an active member of her
- 5 church, and she participated in civic organizations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, she began a career as a nurse at St. Mary's Hospital in 1962; and
- WHEREAS, she retired in 2005 after 43 years as a nurse, most of those working in labor,
- 8 delivery, and the nursery; and
- 9 WHEREAS, in honor of her outstanding service, officials at St. Mary's Hospital dedicated
- 10 the renovated hospital nursery in her name, assuring that she will long be remembered in the
- 11 halls she walked for so many years; and
- 12 WHEREAS, her deep personal commitment to her duties as well as her great compassion for
- 13 the people she served earned for her the respect and admiration of the doctors with whom she
- worked and love of her patients; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she was a distinguished lady with a generous heart whose lifetime of patient and
- 16 kind service helped so many others; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated provided the
- 18 foundation and framework of success in which all of her family members have developed
- 19 and flourished; and

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1 WHEREAS, this distinguished senior gentlewoman gave inspiration to many through her

- 2 high ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens and she possessed the vast
- 3 wisdom which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is
- 4 achieved through overcoming the many challenges of life; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
- 6 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example she made of her life,
- 7 she made this world a better place in which to live.
- 8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 9 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
- 10 JoeAnn Willoughby Mitchell.
- 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of JoeAnn
- Willoughby Mitchell.